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DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US) CONCERNING A SUBMISSION UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371	U.S. APPLICATION NO (If known see 87 CFR 1.5)					
INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION NO. INTERNATIONAL FILING DATE	PRIORITY MATE CLAIMED					
PCT/JP2005/004858 11 March 2005	31 March 2004					
PITLE OF INVENTION AN AQUEOUS-LIQUID-ABSORBING AGENT AND ITS PRODUCTION PROCESS						
APPLICANT(S) FOR DO/EO/US Hiroyuki IKEUCHI, Kazushi TORII, Shigeru SAKAMOTO, Taku IWAMURA, Sayaka MACHIDA						
Applicant herewith submits to the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) the following items and other information:						
This is a FIRST submission of items concerning a submission under 35 U.S.C. 371.						
2. This is a SECOND or SUBSEQUENT submission of items concerning a submis	This is a SECOND or SUBSEQUENT submission of items concerning a submission under 35 U.S.C. 371.					
3. This is an express request to begin national examination procedures (35 U.S.C. 371(f)). The submission must include items (5), (6), (9) and (21) indicated below.						
4. The US has been elected (Article 31).	4. The US has been elected (Article 31).					
5. A copy of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2))	A copy of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2))					
a. is attached hereto (required only if not communicated by the Internation	a. is attached hereto (required only if not communicated by the International Bureau).					
b. An has been communicated by the International Bureau.						
c. is not required, as the application was filed in the United States Rec	ceiving Office (RO/US).					
6. An English language translation of the International Application as filed (35 U	.S.C. 371(c)(2)).					
a. is attached hereto.						
b. has been previously submitted under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4).	b. has been previously submitted under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4).					
7. Amendments to the claims of the International Application under PCT Article	Amendments to the claims of the International Application under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3))					
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c. have not been made; however, the time limit for making such ame	c. have not been made; however, the time limit for making such amendments has NOT expired.					
d. have not been made and will not be made.	d. have not been made and will not be made.					
8. An English language translation of the amendments to the claims under PC1	Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3)).					
9. An oath or declaration of the inventor(s) (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(4)).	An oath or declaration of the inventor(s) (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(4)).					
10. An English language translation of the annexes of the International Prelimina Article 36 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(5)).	ry Examination Report under PCT					
Items 11 to 20 below concern document(s) or information included:						
11. An Information Disclosure Statement under 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98.						
12. An assignment document for recording. A separate cover sheet in compliance	An assignment document for recording. A separate cover sheet in compliance with 37 CFR 3.28 and 3.31 is included.					
13. A preliminary amendment.	A preliminary amendment.					
14. An Application Data Sheet under 37 CFR 1.76.	An Application Data Sheet under 37 CFR 1.76.					
15. A substitute specification.	A substitute specification.					
16. A power of attorney and/or change of address letter.	A power of attorney and/or change of address letter.					
17. A computer-readable form of the sequence listing in accordance with PCT Ru	A computer-readable form of the sequence listing in accordance with PCT Rule 13ter.2 and 37 CFR 1.821- 1.825.					
18. A second copy of the published International Application under 35 U.S.C. 154	A second copy of the published International Application under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4).					
19. A second copy of the English language translation of the international application.	tion under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4).					

This collection of information is required by 37 CFR 1.414 and 1.491-1.492. The information is required to obtain or retain a benefit by the public, which is to file (and by the USPTO to process) an application. Confidentiality is governed by 35 U.S.C. 122 and 37 CFR 1.11 and 1.14. This collection is estimated to take 15 minutes to complete, including gathering information, preparing, and submitting the completed form to the USPTO. Time will vary depending upon the individual case. Any comments on the amount of time you require to complete this form and/or suggestions for reducing this burden, should be sent to the Chief Information Officer, U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, U.S. Department of Commerce, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450, DO NOT SEND FEES OR COMPLETED FORMS TO THIS ADDRESS. SEND TO: Mail Stop PCT, Page 1 of 3 Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.

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Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27. Fees above are reduced by 1/2.						
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5. Subject Matter of Comment:

As to the Text of the abstract established by the Authority, there is a typographical error on line 7. On line 7, "m³" should be corrected into "cm³", since "cm³" has been indicated on line 12 of the Text of the abstract filed on March 11, 2005. It is very much appreciated if the notice of correction, ISA/205, would be issued.

6. List of Attached Documents: None